

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION/DIVISIONAL  
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Box PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending Application No. 08/995,591 filed on December 22, 1997, for INTEGRATED BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS WEB COMMERCE AND BUSINESS AUTOMATION SYSTEM, by the following named inventor(s):

- (a) Full Name Charles Wong
- (b) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application.

- (a) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior Application No. 08/995,591 as originally filed on December 22, 1997, including copies of the specification, claims, drawings and the executed oath or declaration as filed.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a revised prior application and a copy of the prior executed oath or declaration as filed. No new matter has been added to the revised application.
3. ☒ A statement(s) claiming small entity status ☐ are enclosed ☒ were filed in prior Application No. 08/995,591, filed on December 22, 1997.

4. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below ☒ and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$760.00
Total Claims	37	MINUS 20 =	17	x \$18.00 =	306.00
Independent Claims	11	MINUS 3 =	8	x \$78.00 =	624.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$260.00					-0-
Total Application Fee					1,690.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					845.00
Add Assignment Recording Fee of \$40.00 if Assignment document is enclosed					-0-
<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$845.00</b>

5. ☐ Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 845.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in triplicate.
8. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 2-81 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
9. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This application is a ☒ continuation, ☐ divisional, of Application No. 08/995,591, filed December 22, 1997.
10. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the pending prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by person authorized under 37 C.F.R. § 1.138 and before payment of issue fee.)

11. ☒ New drawings are enclosed.
12. ☐ Priority of Application No. \_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_ in \_\_\_ (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- ☐ The certified copy of the priority application
- ☐ is enclosed
- ☐ was filed on \_\_\_ in prior Application No. \_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_
- ☐ has not yet been filed.
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14. ☒ Also enclosed is a return postcard
15. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis, LLP
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
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- c. ☐ Recognize as Associate Attorney \_\_\_.
- d. ☒ Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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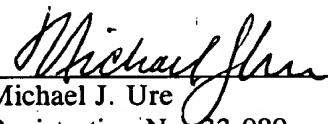
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